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Health and Safety Warning Notice 02/09

High voltage 11kV electricity distribution equipment:
Lucy switchgear FRMUE extensible oil ring main unit,
EFS extensible oil fused switch and EOS extensible oil switch

MANDATORY

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. THE CONTENTS OF THIS NOTICE ARE TO SECURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE HEALTH & SAFETY AT WORK ETC ACT 1974.
- This Notice is for the attention of Commanding Officers, Chief Executives, Heads of Establishment, Property Managers, Defence Land Agents, Establishment Works Consultants (EWCs), Works Services Managers (WSMs), Authorising Engineers, Authorised Persons and Contractors involved in works for MOD.
- 3. This Notice is to be read by all persons involved with any works associated with the equipment that is the subject of this Notice.
- 4. The Property Manager or the appropriate MOD Officer shall arrange for the WSM to carry out all actions in accordance with this Notice.
- 5. No work involving expenditure on an MOD account is to be carried out without authority from the Property Manager or the appropriate MOD officer for that location or facility.
- 6. Any work required as a result of this Safety Notice must be carried out in accordance with MOD Safety Rules and Procedures, as applicable.
- 7. Defects are to be immediately reported to the Property Manager or appropriate MOD Officer, who must ensure that appropriate operating restrictions on the equipment that is the subject of this Notice are applied.
- 8. For MOD Establishments occupied by United States Visiting Forces (USVF), the responsibilities of Property Manager, EWC and WSM are jointly held by the USVF and DE(USF). At base level, this jointly managed organisation is to take appropriate action to implement the contents of this Notice. Where this Safety Notice contains procedures which differ significantly from USVF practice, a DE(USF) Code of Practice section will be issued.

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REQUIREMENT

- ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE TO ENSURE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS PASSED TO THEIR PROPERTY MANAGERS OR OTHER RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS WITHOUT DELAY.
- 10. This Notice applies to all High Voltage 11kV Electricity Distribution Equipment: Lucy Switchgear FRMUE Extensible Oil Ring Main Unit, EFS Extensible Oil Fused Switch and EOS Extensible Oil Switch.
- 11. It is a requirement that as soon as reasonably practicable, but no later than the next annual shutdown, that all extensible BusBar sections between Lucy Switchgear FRMUE type Extensible Oil Ring Main Units and Lucy Switchgear EFS type Extensible Oil Fused Switch, or EOS type Extensible Oil Switches are inspected. Prior to the inspection, the switchgear should not be switched live except where local risk assessment identifies that it is safe to do so.
- 12. If a Pirelli system (see Annex A W Lucy User Manual Section F or J attached) has been used either for the BusBar Extension Joint or for the BusBar end cap then these should be replaced as soon as practicable with a Shrink Polymer System. In the intervening period, the switchgear should not be switched live except where local risk assessment identifies that it is safe to do so.
- 13. If a Raychem System has been used either for the BusBar Extension Joint or for the BusBar end cap then ensure that the Raychem system has been applied in accordance with Manufacturer's User Manual (see Annex B W Lucy User Manual Section E or H). Also, visually check that there is no signs of moisture ingress or degradation of the insulation. If it is believed that either the BusBar Extension Joint or the BusBar end cap has not been installed in accordance with Manufacturer's User Manual, or there are signs of moisture ingress or signs or degradation then they should be replace with a Shrink Polymer System as soon as practicable. In the intervening period, the switchgear should not be switched live except where local risk assessment identifies that it is safe to do so.
- 14. W Lucy recommend either the Raychem Busbar insulation system or the Shrink Polymer Systems insulation system. Details of the Shrink Polymer System can be found at Annex C. Details of the kit are available from:

Shrink Polymer Systems
Units P1-P3 Grovemere Court
Bicton Industrial Park
Kimbolton
Cambs
PE2B OEY

Tel: 01480 861001

15. The equipment may be returned to normal operation after completion of the inspection and or modifications detailed above and subject to the approval of the appropriate WSM Authorising Engineer, or other responsible officer appointed to carry out Authorising Engineer duties.

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BACKGROUND

- 16. This HSWN is to advise of a deterioration, moisture ingress and possible failure of the BusBar Extension Joint and/or End cap using either the Raychem or Pirelli Insulation System that is particular to Lucy Switchgear FRMUE Extensible Oil Ring Main Units, Lucy Switchgear EFS Extensible Oil Fused Switch and Lucy Switchgear EOS Extensible Oil Switches.
- 17. Defence Estates has received several reports of the failure of the insulation on the BusBars between Lucy Switchgear FRMUE type Extensible Oil Ring Main Units, and Lucy Switchgear EFS type Extensible Oil Fused Switch and/or Lucy Switchgear EOS type Extensible Oil Switches. This is due to moisture ingress into BusBar Extension Joint and/or End cap using either the Raychem or Pirelli System and resulted in a flashover between phase and earth.
- 18. This failure may be the result of degradation due to the age of the joint, due to poor workmanship or repairs. The manufacturer also notes that there are a high number of failures with the Pirelli type of insulation.

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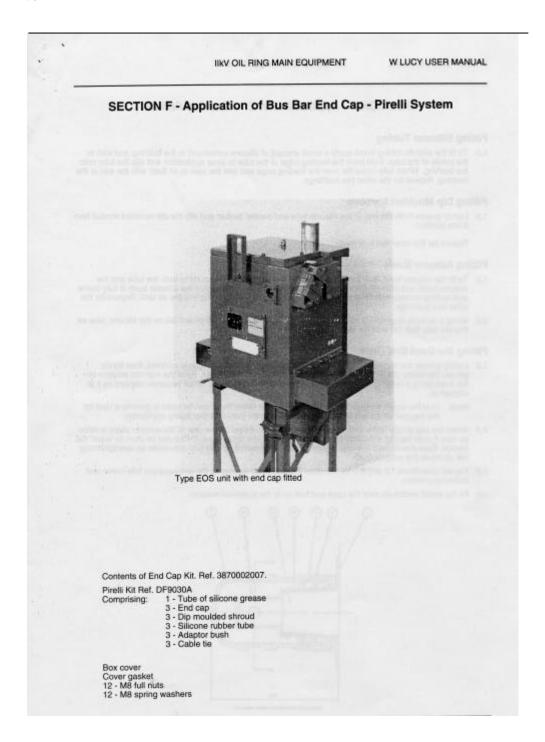
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Annex A - Pirelli System W Lucy User Manual Sections F and J



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SECTION F - Application of End Cap Insulation

Fitting Silicone Tubing

1.0 To fit the silicone tubing item4 apply a small amount of silicone compound to the bushing and also to the inside of the tube. Fold back the leading edge of the tube to ease application and slip the tube onto the bushing. When fully home flip over the leading edge and trim the tube to sit flush with the end of the bushing. Repeat for the other two bushings.

Fitting Dip Moulded Shrouds

1.0 Lightly grease both the end of the silicone tube and copper busbar and slip the dip moulded shroud item 6 into position.

Repeat for the other two bushings.

Fitting Adaptor Bush

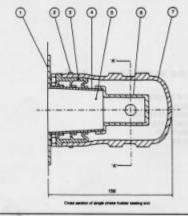
- 1.0 To fit the adaptor bush item 3 apply a gmall amount of silicone compound to both the tube and the adaptor bush and slide on the adaptor bush as per drawing. Ensure that the adaptor bush is fully home and making contact with the 4 both heads that secure the resin bushing into the oil tank. Repeat for the other two bushings.
- 2.0 Using a suitable degreasing solvent remove any residual silicone compound left on the silicone tube as this will help lock the adaptor bushes into position.

Fitting the Dead End Caps

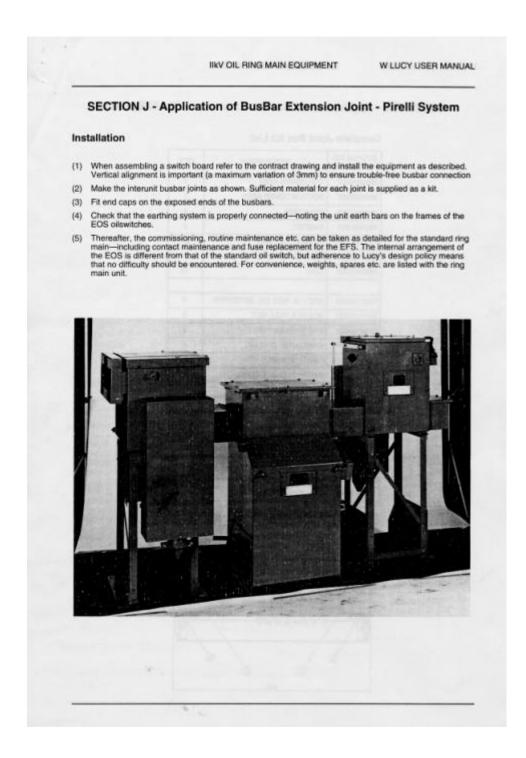
1.0 Lightly grease the outside of the adaptor bush ensuring the whole surface is covered, then lightly grease the inside of the dead end cap item 7 to a depth of 50 to 60mm. Slide the cap into position on the bush using a twisting action which will aid the expulsion of the air which becomes trapped as it is slipped on.

Note: In some cages if the air is difficult to remove the index finger can be used to provide a vent for the trapped air if it is inserted between the adaptor bush and cap during application.

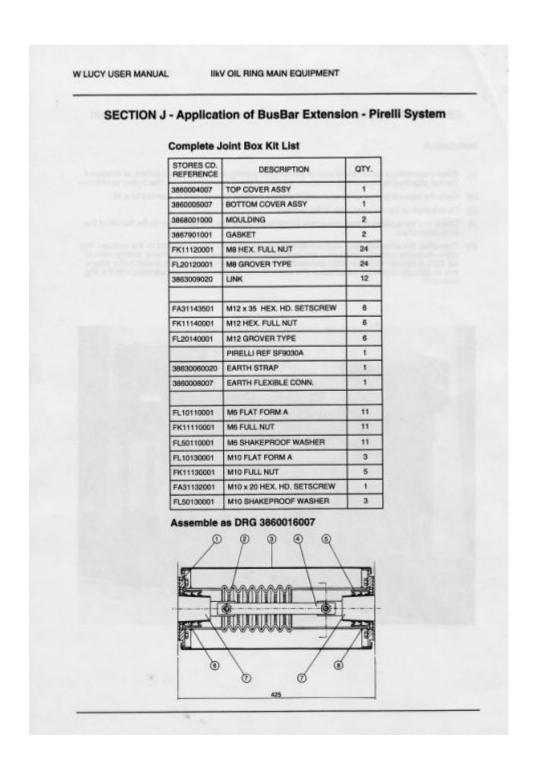
- 2.0 When the cap is fully home and making contact with the flange on the rear of the adaptor place a cable tie item 1 over the cap a nominal 5mm from the flange and tighten until the tie can be seen to 'waist' the shroud. Care should be exercised to engure that this 'waisting' is only just noticeable as overtightening will dislocate the adaptor bush.
- 3.0 Repeat operations 1.0 and 2.0 for the other 2 phases and ensure all the end caps are fully home and locked in position.
- 4.0 Fit the metal enclosure over the caps and bolt up in the approved manner.



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SECTION J - Application of BusBar Extension - Pirelli System

Assembly of BusBar Joint

Fitting Silicone Tubing/Adaptor Bush

- 1 To fit the silicone tubing apply a small amount of silicone compound to the bushing and also to the inside of the tube. Fold back the leading edge of the tube to ease application and slip the tubing onto the bushing. When fully home flip over the leading edge and trim the tube to sit flush with the end of the bushing. Repeat for the other five bushings.
- 2 To fit the adaptor bush apply a small amount of silicone compound to both the tube and the adaptor bush and slide on the adaptor bush as per drawing. Ensure that the adaptor bush is fully home and, in the case of the outer bushings, in contact with the glass fibre moulding that is boiled to the casing.

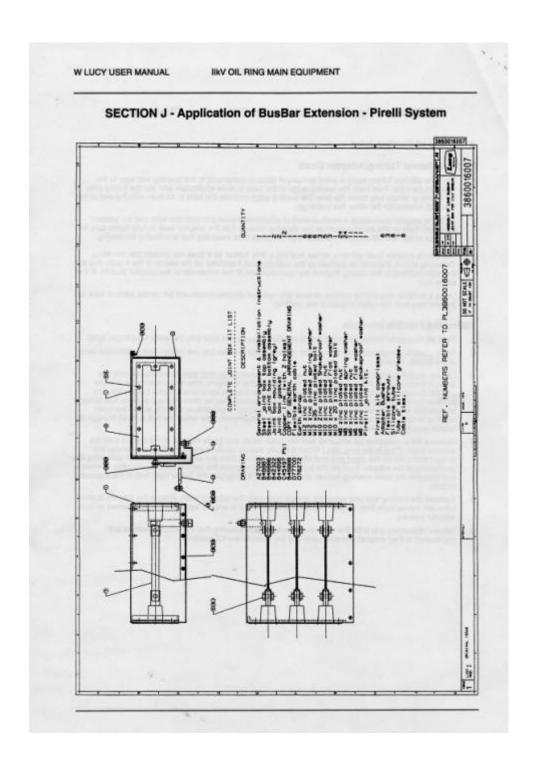
The centre adaptor bush will slide up the bushing a little further as it does not contact this moulding. Therefore to fit it, it should be pushed up the bushing until it bottoms on the heads of the 4 bolts that fix the resin bushing in the casing. Repeat the operation and fit the remainder of the adaptor bushes in the

3 Using a suitable degreasing solvent remove any residual silicone compound left on the silicone tube as this will help lock the adaptor bushes into position.

Fitting the Flexible Shrouds

- 1 Take all six copper busbar links and bolt to the bushings on one side only (no more than finger tight).
- 2 Apply silicone compound on to the outside of the adaptor bushes (on one phase) and to the inner ends of the flexible shroud.
- 3 Lift one copper busbar link and slide on the flexible shroud (<u>short end first</u>). Manipulate it onto the adaptor bush until it is fully seated. Lower the link whilst at the same time compressing the flexible shroud. Ensure the shroud is sufficiently compressed to expose the free end of the copper link and position the link in line with the both hole on the reain bushing busbar. Now taking a suitable tool (a large screwdriver will work) insert it between the end of the compressed shroud and the end of the resin bushing busbar. It will serve to hold the shroud in a compressed state whilst the bolt is fitted through the busbar and lightened to the approved torque.
- 4 Remove the screwdriver (or whatever tool has been used) and guide the end of the shroud onto the adaptor bush. (This is the long end.) When it is fully seated carefully insert the fingers between the shroud and bush on the <u>short end</u> and slip the shroud back from the adaptor bush without disturbing the positioning of the adaptor bush on the bushing. Again compress the shroud until it is possible to insert a tool between the resin bushing bushar and shroud and fully tighten the 'linger tight' bolt to the approved torque.
- 5 Remove the holding tool and guide the shroud back onto the adaptor bush. Ensure the adaptor bushes have not moved from their original positions, and take care to ensure the shroud is fully seated on both adaptor bushes.
- 6 Repeat operations 2 to 5 for the other two phases, again ensuring that the adaptor bushes are maintained in their original positions, and that the shrouds are full seated.

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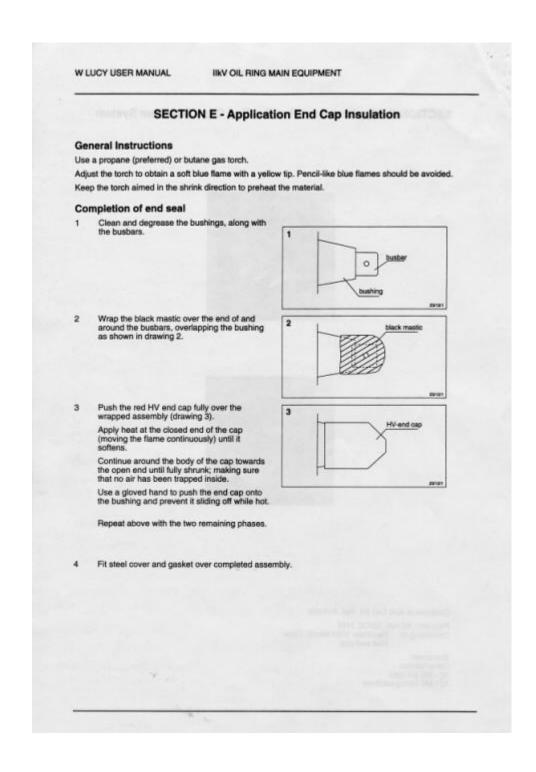


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Annex B - Raychem System W Lucy User Manual Sections E and H



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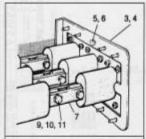


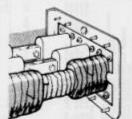
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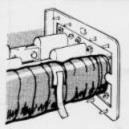
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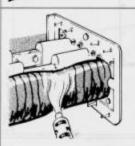
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SECTION H - BusBar Extension Application of BusBar Extension Joint - Raychem System









Assembly of Components and Jointing Procedure

- Fit one gasket item4 over the RMU bushings and onto the studs on erawitch tank.
- Assemble one moulded flange plate Item 3 over the RMU bushings and onto the stude on each switch tank (moulded rib to rear). Secure mouldings and gaskets using M8 nuts and lookwashers Items 5 & 6.
- Position R.M. units (425 mm between tanks). The steel protective cover may be temporarily fitted and used as a
- Abrade the surfaces of the bushings using emery cloth wipe away any dust or powder produced
- Clean each bushing (nsulation and copper stem) with a grease solven wipe dry.
- Clean copper links item 7 and fix each side between bushing stems.

 Ensure Link Boits Items 9, 10, 11 Are Fully Tightened

 Use a Propane (Preferred) or Butane Gas Tank. Adjust the torch to give a soft blue fiame with a yellow tip. Pencil like blue fiames should be avoided. Keep the torch moving continuously to avoid scorching the material.
- Preheat copper stems and links until warm to the touch
- Preneat copper stems and sinks until warm to the touch.

 Divide the contents of the kit equally between the three phases.

 To ease jointing it is recommended that each phase joint is completed before proceeding with the next phase joint and that all three phase joints be shrunk individually to insure even shrinkage. Centrie joint first.

 Note:

 Ensure that a comer of the backing paper on the glassfibre tape is peeled back to enable easy removal when required.

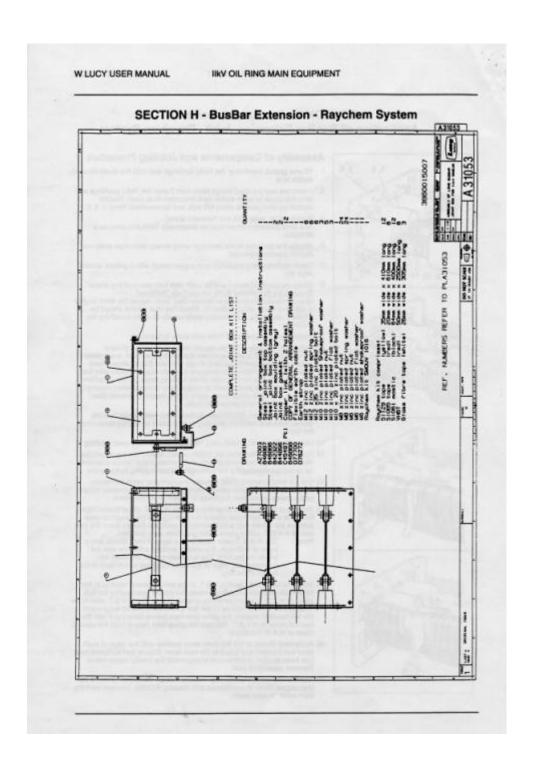
 At each stage press down on the mastic to smooth down edges and remove air voids.
- 9 Using Raychem ref. S1129 tape (yellow) wrap over copper bushing stems, links and link bolts ensuring good contact by slightly tensioning the tape.
- 10 Using Raychem ref. S1085 (red) half-lap one strip over each bushing .
- 11 Cut the strips of Reychem ref. 51061 mastic (black) into equal lengths. Wrap one length around each end of the phase these pieces should be up to but not overlapping the bushings and overlapping in the centre.
- 12 Cut the third length of S106.1 mastic longitudinally down the centr Wrap these two strips to overlap the bushings by approximately 1 and to make up an even thickness of 51061 along the phase.
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 13 Starting at the buikhead wrap one piece of H.V.B.T. (Heat Shrink Side
 Out) one and a half times around the bushing and then begin to wrap
 towards the centre with a 213 overlap of each lap. Faster down the free
 end of H.V.B.T. with a piece of the glassifiore tape provided.
 Note:

 The H.V.B.T. tape consists of a layer of Heat Shrink and a
 layer of Adhesive, it is always spooled adhesive side out
 within the packing. The two sides can be identified by
 examining the edge of the tape. The Heat shrink layer is the
 lighter of the two.

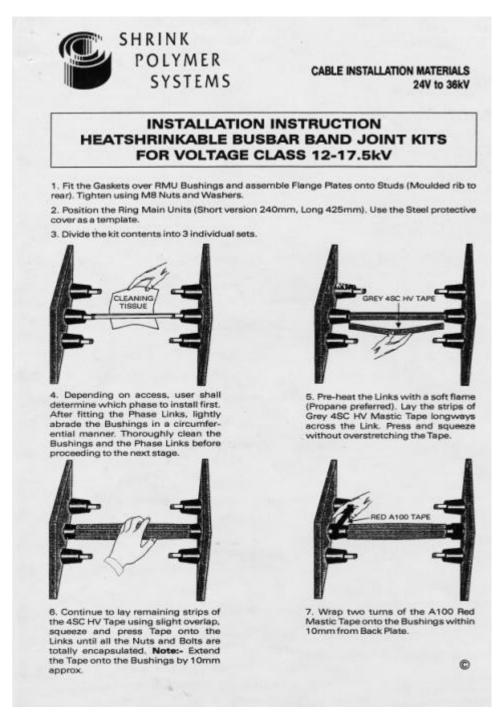
- 14 Wrap the second piece of H.V.B.T. in the same manner starting at the other bulkhead and wrapping towards the middle overlapping the first piece of H.V.B.T. at the centre by at least 50mm. The H.V.B.T. should be wrapped so that the helices of the first and second pieces are parallel. Do not forget to remove the glass fibre tape before covering it with the second piece of H.V.B.T. Replace the glass fibre tape to hold the second piece of H.V.B.T. Replace the glass fibre tape to hold the second piece of H.V.B.T. Replace.
- 15 Apply heat (flame or hot air) in an even manner until the edge of each layer has beaded and fused to the next layer. Ensure that sufficient heat has been applied to soften and amalgamate the mastic layers below. Remove glass fibre lage.
- 16 Allow to cool before energising. Visually inspect completed and bottom cover in accordance with drawing A31053. Cor from cover to main earth.

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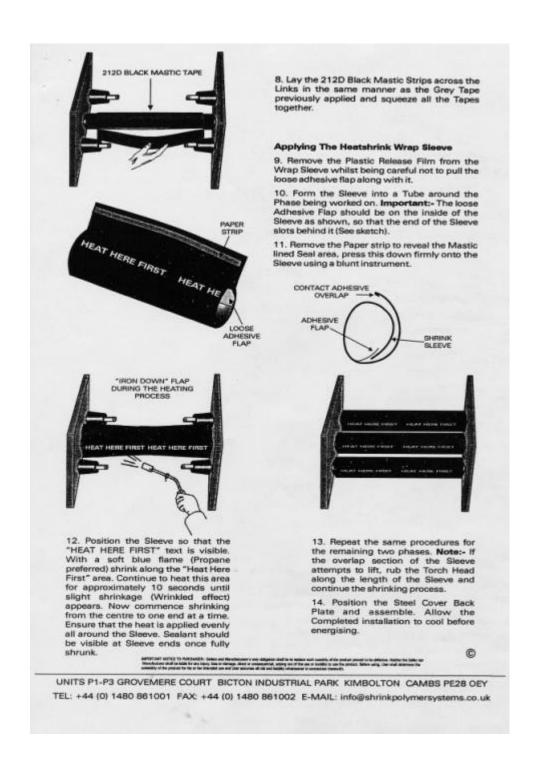


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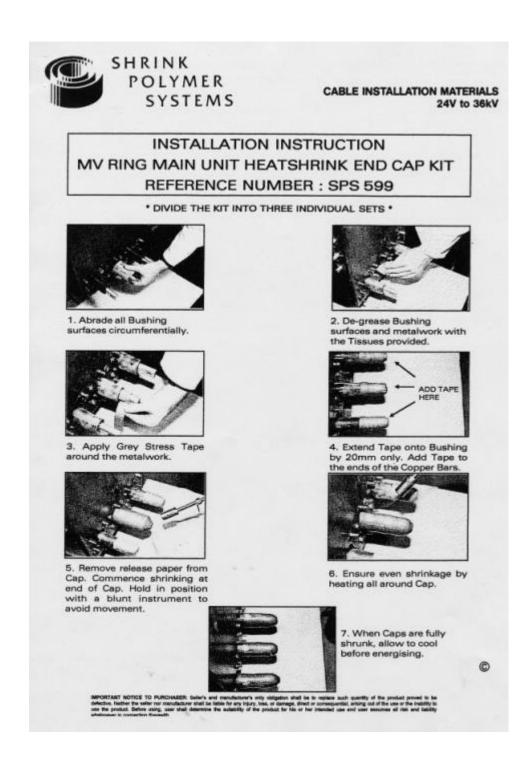
Annex C - Extensible units BusBar coupling Shrink Polymer System



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